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## High loan default rate concerns aid official

By Erik Schrader  
Staff Writer

According to the latest figures, some 50 people who are receiving Missouri Guaranteed Student Loans at Missouri Southern will eventually default. "This is the highest it has ever been," said Jim Gilbert, Southern's director of student financial aid. Figures released in August placed Southern's default rate at 8.27 per cent. About 600 students are receiving the loan at Southern, according to Gilbert.

"Those 600 people have borrowed close to a million dollars," he said.

Gilbert said the default rate would continue to rise.

"As soon as someone pays off their loan, they are taken off the list," he said. "But a default stays on forever—that makes the statistics kind of deceptive."

Gilbert was not happy with Southern's rate. Even though the rate is well below the national average of 11 per cent, it is almost three times as high as the state average of 3 per cent.

"We go through a rigid process, and we try not to process a loan unless they need it for school. But there are times when I know that they won't pay it back," said Gilbert.

"At Southern you are looking at a

typical student where values have been instilled. His income is not drastically low or drastically high. The people here tend to be more conservative, and they tend to live up to their obligations."

The way loan seekers are counseled can heighten or lower the default rate, said Gilbert.

"As a financial aid officer, I am in a tight position," he said. "First, I'm an employee of the school, but I'm also the advocate of the student. I am also the moral extension of the United States government. I've got to represent everyone's interest."

The balance between the three is what makes the difference between a good financial aid officer and a poor one, according to Gilbert.

"If a financial aid officer is loose and tends to do more for his college, the default rate will be higher," he said. "At Harris-Stowe you will probably find that the administrator is not as rigid as some others in the state."

Gilbert maintains that, all in all, Southern's financial aid office is as thorough as possible.

"We validate every tax form applicants bring into my office," he said. "We don't have to do that, but we do. To get a loan here, you want to be able to show perseverance and results."



### Breaking ground

Construction of a memorial garden began this week as Thomas Development Company installed a lawn sprinkler system on the campus oval. The garden is being funded by Jack Stults, whose daughter, Tracy, died last May in a car crash. (Chart Photo by JoAnn Hollis)

## State higher education board faces financial questions

CBHE sets policy factors to calculate requested increases

Chairman believes limited resources are primary problem

Missouri's Coordinating Board for Higher Education has set policy factors for colleges and universities for fiscal year 1988.

"These factors provide the means to calculate requested increases for salaries and expense and equipment for colleges, universities, and public libraries as well as for the CBHE administered programs," said Judy Vickery, CBHE assistant commissioner for finance.

"The objective is to reflect the impact of increased costs on institutional financing and protect an institution's efforts at qualitative improvement in the primary mission areas of instruction and research," she said.

Policy factors set at the September CBHE meeting were 4.5 per cent for salaries and wages; 2.5 per cent for expense and equipment; and 3.5 per cent for library acquisitions for fiscal

year 1988 CBHE appropriations recommendations.

According to Vickery, the CBHE starts looking at price index information and making predictions about the economy and inflation rates. Inflation is now at 2 per cent, and is expected to rise to 4 per cent later this year.

In the fall, the Board essentially agrees on what policy factors will be used.

"Base support (for colleges and universities) is determined by a mathematical formula and the use of policy factors," said Vickery, "to determine what percentage of an institution's budget should be supported by the state."

State universities and colleges can also request additions to their budget.

"Colleges and universities are invited and encouraged to request program additions that fall under certain programs," said Vickery. "They are given broad guidelines

to develop their own programs."

The programs are called targeted investments and include improvement of undergraduate education, state manpower and research needs of the state, and academic libraries. Educational institutions develop programs which can fulfill needs of the state in areas such as a shortage of qualified personnel in a particular area of employment. The targeted investment program was instituted two years ago.

Capital improvements funds to be recommended by the CBHE for the fiscal year are \$46,840,852. The capital improvements recommendations for Missouri's four-year colleges and universities have been sent to Gov. Ashcroft and the legislature.

CBHE recommendations include \$39,707,022 for maintenance and repair; \$6,061,286 for remodeling and renovation projects.

By JoAnn Hollis  
Managing Editor

As the new chairman of the Coordinating Board for Higher Education, Henry Clapper believes the primary problem the CBHE faces this year is limited resources.

Since becoming a member of the CBHE in 1983, he has served as chairman of fiscal affairs, secretary, and vice president. He was elected chairman on June 27, 1986.

Clapper has set no specific goals for the CBHE to accomplish during his term, but hopes to continue the work of the Board and further its attempts to improve the quality of higher education in the state of Missouri.

"We have the continuing problem of limited resources," said Clapper. Although he said this was the main problem facing the CBHE, he feels Missouri Southern

is dealing well with the problem.

"I think the record shows that Missouri Southern is doing a very good job in managing the resources it receives," he said.

Clapper also said he felt confident that Southern was "quite capable" of reaching whatever goals it sets for itself.

At its fiscal affairs meeting tomorrow in Jefferson City, Clapper said the CBHE will discuss operating budget requests for colleges and universities for the next year. At this time public comment will be heard as to what the public feels is needed by the respective schools. The final decisions for the budget requests will be made during CBHE meetings Oct. 30-31 in Columbia.

According to Clapper, there are two factors in determining how much money each school receives: demonstrated need and available state funds. Clapper said each school is looked at under equal

terms when considering budget requests. Lincoln University will receive no special consideration because of its economic problems.

Clapper said he hopes none of the major areas of funding will have to be cut due to lack of funding, but this is still unknown at this time.

"The legislature will have to decide from the available funds what they will be able to give to higher education," he said.

A member of the law firm of Clapper, Randall, and Woodard in Monett, Clapper is a graduate of Dartmouth College and the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law. Active in the Missouri Bar Association, he served as Lawrence County Prosecuting Attorney in 1971-72. A native of Barry County, Clapper served as a member of the Governor's Private Industry Council from 1981-83.



### Senators vote

(From left) Faculty senators Jerald Hendrix, assistant professor of biology; Art Saltzman, associate professor of English; and Jack Oakes, instructor of computer science; vote to discuss new business before old business at Monday's meeting. See related story on page 2. (Chart photo by JoAnn Hollis)

## Miami residents fight to overcome flood

By Rob Smith and Erik Schrader  
Staff Writers

While the rest of the four-state area had almost recovered from last week's torrential downpours, the city of Miami, Okla., is still struggling to overcome widespread flooding.

Although Missouri Southern and most of the Joplin area were spared major flood damage, the city of Miami, home of Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College, was not as fortunate. Miami is located 30 miles southwest of Joplin.

Due to its proximity to the Neosho River and Tar Creek, Miami is particularly susceptible to flooding. This is the second year in a row the city has experienced major flood damage.

At 8 p.m. Monday the Neosho River finally crested, but not before 300 families had been evacuated from their homes in the preceding days. The deluge forced those with no other alternatives to seek shelter at the Miami Civic Center, which was set up as an emergency headquarters for the homeless and hungry.

Flood victims and volunteers were crammed into the center along with

numerous household items that had been salvaged from the floodwaters.

The Red Cross also established headquarters to serve food and give information to those in need.

Two Missouri Southern students also took part in the volunteer effort. John Epperson and Laura Noe went to Miami Monday morning, and did not leave until after midnight. Epperson was disappointed with Southern's apparent lack of interest.

"This morning I was trying to get members of a prominent fraternity at MSSC to come down," he said. "But no one would come. Frankly, I'm astounded to think they would not help their neighbors in a situation of this type."

Patricia Wright, wife of Dr. Bobby Wright, president of Northeast Oklahoma A&M College, said the back room at the civic center was filled with elderly flood victims.

"They are using the room to house the people from Heritage Nursing Home," she said.

She said the nursing home was under almost four feet of water.

While the nursing home was located in one of the first areas to flood, NEO was

still in danger as the waters came to a crest.

"The baseball field, football field, tennis courts, the college maintenance barn, and the Allied Health Building all have water in them," Mrs. Wright said. "We had to evacuate one section of the married student housing."

"They sandbagged the gym. They didn't think the floor would get wet."

Students attended class Monday, but the flooding forced dismissal of all classes for the remainder of this week.

Mrs. Wright, who served as a Red Cross volunteer at the civic center, said being in the floodwaters could prove to be a health hazard.

"There is a chance of getting lock-jaw," she said. "Anybody who has been out in the water should have a tetanus shot at the county health center."

While Wright concentrated her efforts inside the civic center, Everett Smith, a minister from nearby Welch, traveled to the actual evacuation sites.

"I can't get home," he said. "The roads are all flooded. The only thing I can carry

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# Senate passes proposals

## New catalog will include course changes

New courses for the Missouri Southern curriculum and the grievance policy were the major focus of Monday's Faculty Senate meeting.

The Senate, meeting for the second time this semester, was given a list of 16 proposed course changes by the Academic Policies Committee. Since the College catalog will be updated and revised this year, the changes needed to be made for publication of the new catalog this spring. Some of the proposals dealt with changes, while others dealt with the addition or deletion of specific classes. The proposals were put on the floor of the Senate for discussion and voting.

All of the proposals were passed by the Senate.

Courses that will undergo changes include: Fundamentals of Dental Hygiene I (DH 101) and Fundamentals of Dental Hygiene II (DH 102). Both of the courses will now be worth four credit hours per semester instead of three. Principles of Digital Computing (CIS 250) will be elevated to a 300-level course.

The Senate also approved 11 new courses that will be offered by the College. They will include: Plant Pathology (BIO 440), Internship in Machine Technology (MACH 490), Internship in Drafting/Design (DRAF 490), Internship in Graphic Communications (ART 475), Correctional Practices (CJA 412), Basic Police Academy (LE 180), Public History (HIST 305), American Literature: Major Figures (ENG 476), Continental Novel (ENG 385), Women's Literature (ENG 335), and Projects Research Across the Curriculum (PHIL 300).

LE 180 and HIST 305 are new courses

replacing ones that are currently in those departments' curriculum. The classes being dropped are Supervised Police Work (LE 190) and U.S. Social and Intellectual History (HIST 305).

PHIL 300 will be an honor's class in philosophy that will cover a range of disciplines. The new course will be taught by the English department.

Upon completion of new business, the Senate moved to an area of trouble and concern to Southern administrators and faculty members—the grievance policy.

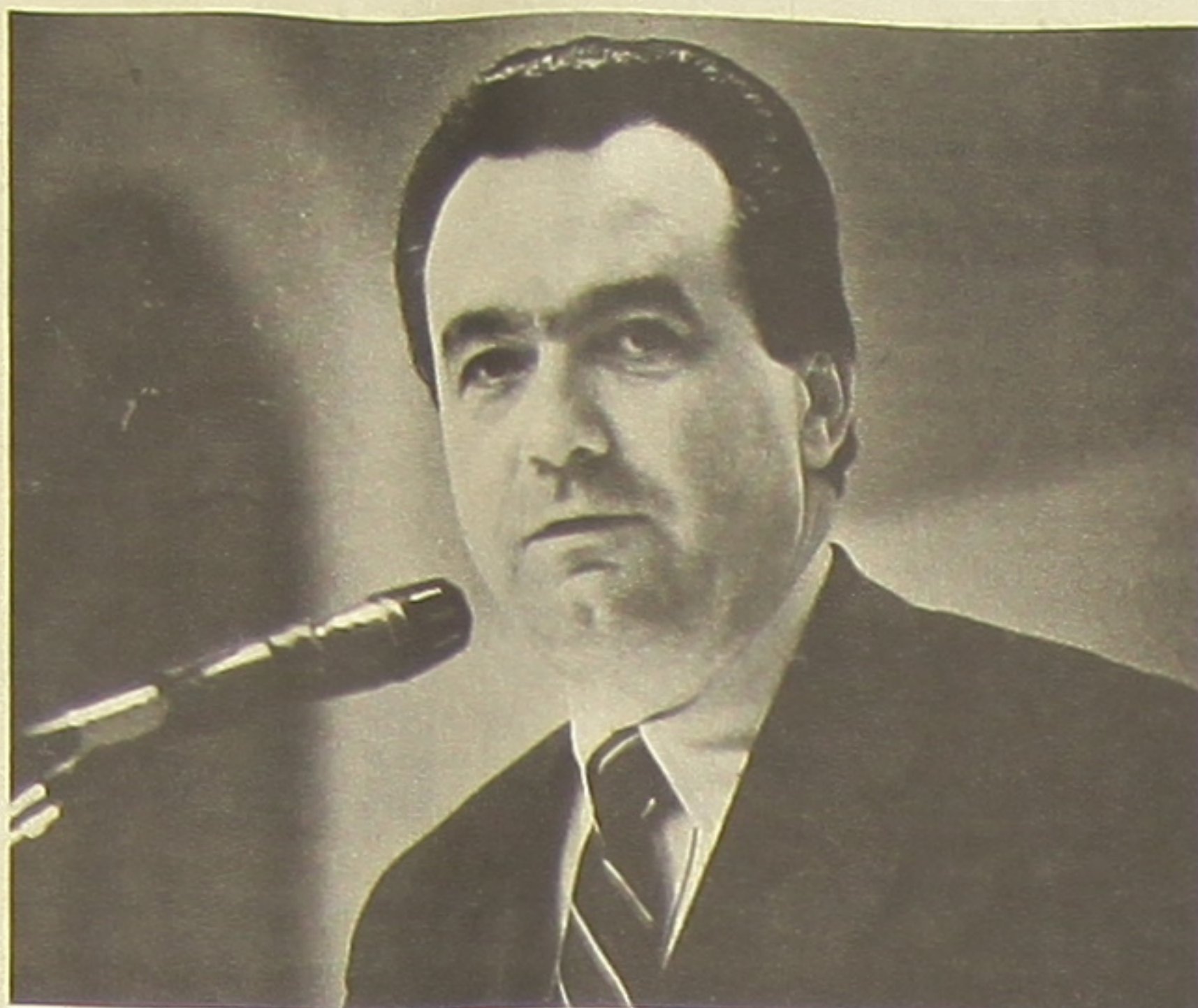
Southern is currently operating without a policy, and it is up to the Senate to develop a policy favorable to both faculty and administrators.

After much debate between senators and administrators, it was voted by the Senate to reject an amendment to the existing termination policy.

Major discussion centered around the first portion of the amendment which deals with notification of termination to probationary faculty members. A probationary faculty member is one who has been at the College less than five years. After the fifth year of service, a faculty member is said to have tenure.

According to the College's policy handbook, notice must be given prior to "March 15 in the year in which the current contract expires; March 15 for the first probationary year, and Dec. 15 for all subsequent years."

Dr. Larry Martin, head of the mathematics department, submitted a new amendment to the Senate for approval. The new amendment will be taken up at the next Senate meeting, which will be Monday, Oct. 20.



Speaker

E. Morgan Williams will be speaking on the economic impact of the third world on the U.S. at noon Monday in the Connor Ballroom of Billingsly Student Center.

## New chapter hosts speaker

Lecture will study Third World impact on U.S.

Giving a speech on "The Future of the Third World and Its Economic Impact on the U.S.," E. Morgan Williams will be on campus Monday.

The speech will be given at noon in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center.

Williams is president and chief executive officer of the National Cooperative Business Association (NCBA), a national membership and trade association representing America's cooperative business community. He is also president of the National Cooperative Business Foundation, chairman of the board of Cooperative Business International, and chairman of the National Cooperative Business Political Action Committee.

Williams started his career as general manager for a farm supply and marketing cooperative in Plains, Kan. He also was a college professor of economics. He was appointed by Secretary of Agriculture Clifford Hardin to be the state director of the Kansas Farmers Home Administration, where he served for eight years.

In 1977, Williams became a professional staff member of the U.S. Senate agriculture committee, working with Senator Bob Dole. He was Dole's staff assistant when the Senator was a member of the Presidential Commission on World Hunger. In 1980, he served on the Reagan Administration Transition Team for the U.S. Department of Agriculture and he became president of NCBA.

Williams is chairman of the AID Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid. He is an advisor to the U.S. House Select Committee on Hunger, and a member of the board of directors of Cooperative for American Relief Everywhere (CARE). Williams serves on the executive committee and the executive subcommittee of the International Cooperative Alliance, a worldwide organization of cooperatives headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.

"Williams will be our first speaker," said Jan Watson, secretary of the Tri-county chapter of the NAA. "We'll be having a speaker every month."

The Tri-county chapter of the NAA is a newly formed group on campus. The group requires students to be a full-time student who has completed at least six hours in accounting. The members must also have a 2.5 GPA. There is also a \$17.50 membership fee which also entitles the student to be a part of the local affiliate.

"We hope to become a dynamic club on campus and provide accounting students the opportunity to interact with each other and the professional community," said Watson.

The group elected officers in their first meeting. They are Joleen Murray, president; Kevin Williams, vice president; Watson, secretary; Chris Enlow, treasurer; Linda Carlyle, reporter; and Wayne House, parliamentarian. The group sponsors are Peter Huey, assistant professor of business, and Larry Goode, assistant professor of business.

## Young's condition improving

By Pat Halverson  
Editor-in-chief

Former state representative Robert Ellis Young, who played a key role in the founding of Missouri Southern, is currently hospitalized at McCune Brooks in Carthage.

Young retired from the Missouri House of Representatives in January after serving 32 consecutive years as the Republican legislative representative from the 126th district. He holds the longest record of tenure in state service.

Young, who has been in poor health for some time, entered the hospital in September.

"He was admitted for cardiac problems the 19th to the coronary intensive care unit," said Mrs. Priscilla Young, director of nursing at McCune Brooks and Young's wife. "He was moved out the following Monday, but later in the week had to be put back in. He was in CICU until a week ago last Monday."

Young, 66, underwent surgery Monday for another medical problem, and is doing well.

"His heart is being monitored and he is in stable condition," said Mrs. Young. "His vital signs are good. He came through the surgery very well—he couldn't have done better."

Mrs. Young was also hospitalized this week after a fall last Friday night. She injured her right leg, which may have to be put in a cast. She was dismissed from McCune Brooks on Monday. A dismissal date for the former representative has not yet been determined.

"I don't know when he'll get home," said Mrs. Young.

As a state representative, Young was the author, sponsor, and a supporter of legislation which created Missouri Southern State College. He was also on the state Coordinating Board of Education Master Plan Committee.

In February 1978, Southern's gymnasium was named for Young in honor of his contribution to the establishment of the College and to education in Missouri.

After serving 16 consecutive terms as a state representative, Young's plans for the future are indefinite.

"He has mentioned several things he would like to do," said Mrs. Young, "but has nothing definite in mind right now."

Besides his efforts to further education, Young has been actively involved in work for roads and highways, agricultural research, industrial development, law enforcement, and tourism.

## Bertch survives six bypasses

Having surgery was an unexpected way for Fred Bertch to end an ideal summer vacation.

"I wasn't expecting it, and I certainly didn't want it," said Bertch, instructor of mathematics at Missouri Southern.

Bertch had just returned from a month-long vacation in the British Isles when he was stricken.

"In all I had six bypasses, some of which were 90 per cent clogged," said Bertch. "So if I had not had it done soon, I'd be playing a harp soon."

Bertch said the surgery consisted of the surgeons taking a vein from his leg, the length of his leg. They took the vein, along with the nerves, and used it to construct new passages around his heart.

Following his surgery, which lasted over four hours, Bertch remained at St. John's Regional Medical Center for two weeks. The first two days out of surgery, he was in intensive care, which is standard procedure after any major surgery.

"I was extremely happy when my

hospital stay ended," said Bertch.

But Bertch said he wasn't at all happy with the dietary restrictions placed on him.

"Of course, I must cut my cholesterol intake," he said. "No Kentucky Fried Chicken or butter—none of the things I like to eat."

While vacationing in the British Isles with his third daughter and her husband, Bertch had a Brit Rail pass.

"I was footloose and fancy free," said Bertch. "The rail pass allowed me to just hop on the train and go anywhere in England, Scotland, or Wales."

Bertch said he also traveled into Ireland, and went as far north as he could go.

Bertch, who was born in Pennsylvania, received his bachelor of science degree from Brigham Young University and his master's degree from the University of Arizona. He has been teaching for 23 years, including the last three at Southern.

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with me is my toothbrush."

Smith noted the evacuation teams were besieged with the same recurring problems.

"People kept waiting until the last minute," he said. "I don't know how many times we would go up to a house and the people would say they would 'wait it out,' then an hour and a half later they would call and ask us to help them. By then they would be two feet deep in water."

Smith also spoke of a lack of cooperation between civilian volunteers and the National Guard.

"One night I was standing in a parking lot in the pouring rain," he said. "It was coming down in sheets. A guy drove up with panchos for all the 'weekend warriors' (National Guardsmen) to wear. I was cold and wet, and I went up to him and asked if I could borrow one. He said, 'Sure, if you sign up for six years.'"

According to Smith, some people were beyond help.

"One lady was in Alaska, so her

neighbor had us take out her furniture," he said. "She had a 1986 Lincoln, too, but it was locked. It's sitting in a couple feet of water now."

Smith was one of the volunteers who had to wade through Tar Creek.

"I know you're supposed to get a shot if you go in it," he said. "When I went to change clothes after I was in it, I took off my pants and my underwear was just blood red."

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## Class considered to be 'an easy 'A'

For new students at Missouri Southern, the orientation program could prove invaluable during their career at the College.

The idea of an eight-week class geared at educating students on school policies, services, and activities is a good one. Unfortunately, the classes have become something of a joke to many of the students involved.

While some of the upperclass students teaching the class have put much effort into their daily lessons, others seem apathetic about the program.

All of this could stem from inadequate preparation. The students were trained for the eight-week class at a two-day retreat held at the end of summer. This might not be enough instruction for people with little or no previous experience in teaching.

As a result, some classes are failing to educate the students. Some freshmen report unorganized classes. Others claim that their instructors seem confused by the course workbook. At least one teacher has been dismissing class 30 to 40 minutes early.

A more rigorous training method might help organizers "weed out" those who might not be suited for the job.

The effort of those behind the program, as well as many of the student teachers, must be applauded. Few people realize the work that must go into a program such as this. Hopefully that effort will not be wasted on something that too many freshmen consider to be no more than an easy 'A.'

## A new procedure

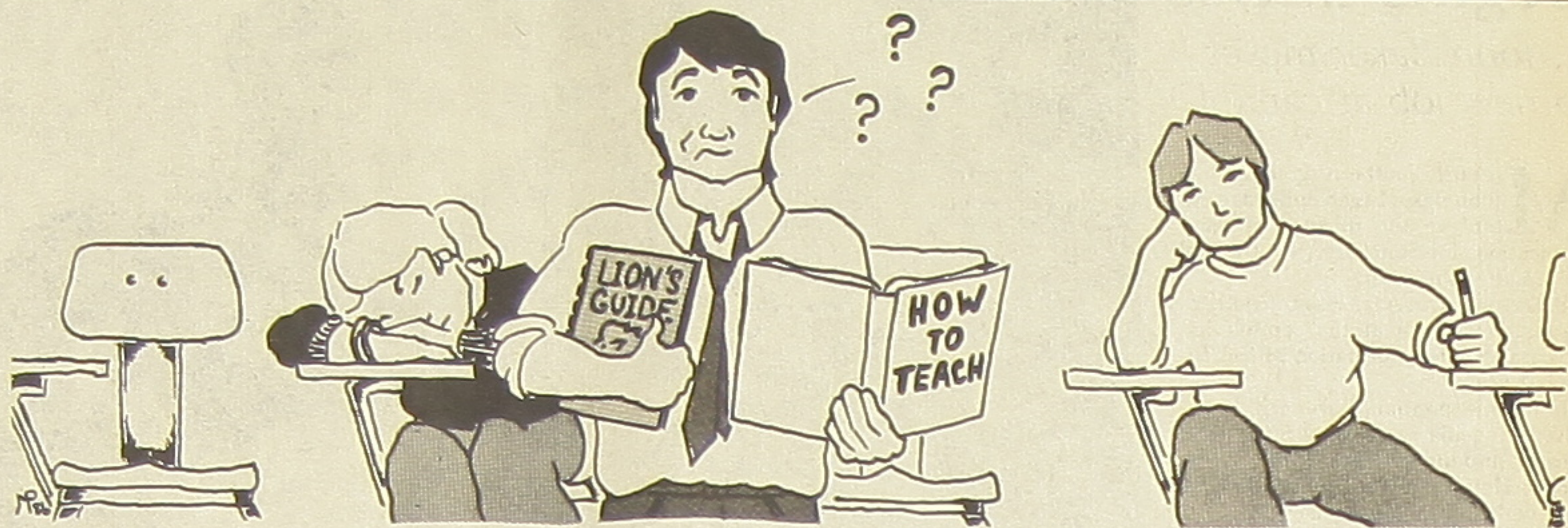
With Homecoming elections drawing to a close, it is time to look at the procedure that is used in selecting a Homecoming queen.

Many colleges and universities, just as Missouri Southern, allow any active campus organization to sponsor a Homecoming queen candidate. At Southern all these candidates are voted on by the students to determine the finalists. At many colleges and universities this is not the case. All candidates are subjected to an interview by selected faculty and students to determine their qualifications to represent the school as the homecoming queen. They then select the finalists which the students vote on to choose the queen. At Southern, Homecoming elections resemble high school elections. It is a popularity contest.

Southern should evaluate its voting system and consider making a change.

### Letters to the Editor:

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### Editor's Column:

## College needs course teaching everyday living

By Mark Ernstmann  
Executive Manager

When I first decided to move to Joplin and attend Missouri Southern, the thought of being out on my own was a fresh and exciting one. After all, I had lived in Springfield with my parents for 21 years. If my car broke down, if I was hungry, if I needed some extra cash, or if I just needed guidance with a problem, they were there to help out. There were very few things I had to actually do for myself.

Yes, it was a nice life, and yes, I did voluntarily leave it.

After my move to Joplin, I realized that life down here was going to be a little different as well as difficult. There were many things I needed to learn in order to survive on my own, and many things I still need to learn.

I did take a class in high school called "Bachelor Living" that supposedly was training us for the future. We were taught how to cook, sew, clean, and wash clothes. They failed to mention it cost

75 cents to wash a load of clothes, and another 75 cents to dry it, though.

As for cooking, the only thing I really needed to know was which side of the building the drive-up window is on at Hardee's.

And when it came to sewing, so what. If something got a hole in it, I made it part of my Sunday wardrobe. (Holy, get it?)

But those things were minor. I have managed to survive for almost two years on my own now, but there are still things I need to know.

I was speaking with my dad last time I was in Springfield, and this topic came up. Between the two of us, we came up with an idea we felt would be of benefit to every college graduate.

That idea was to develop some type of course related to the everyday business transactions a person has to make during his lifetime.

Among one of the topics covered could be instruction as to which or what kind of insurance is needed. There are so many different types available, it is hard to determine one's true need. Let's see, there is life, health, or disability. There is also liability, collision, or comprehensive. Not to forget homeowner's, renter's, fire, flood, or for any other type of natural disaster. What is it that dictates the type you, as an individual, will need?

Or instruction on the many different types of bank accounts and checking accounts offered. And

even how to balance and keep track of one's own finances. Believe it or not, there are people out in the world who do not know how to balance their checkbooks. My sister even said to my father after she got her first checking account, "Gee, dad, why do they keep sending back all of these used checks?"

And that's just touching on the subject. There are literally millions of things that could be taught.

When it comes to buying a car, or a house, or anything for that matter that cannot be paid off in cash, what are the steps to be taken? Where does one start? Loans and their repayment are certainly something we could all stand to know something about.

Another area covered could be all about personal taxes. What records should be kept by a person in order to file? How can one file for himself? What are considered tax write-offs? The questions can go on forever.

You want some more ideas? How about instruction on interest rates, or credit cards, or utilities, or even on something as simple as comparison shopping.

Regardless of the subject, we could all benefit from a course designed to make us more aware of what's going on around us. After all, we can't live with our parents forever.

### In Perspective:

## 'Rainy Days and Mondays always get me down'

By Elaine Freeman  
Counselor

The lyrics of the song "Rainy Days and Mondays" filtered through my semiconscious mind as I fumbled to turn the alarm clock off Monday morning. I slowly became aware of a headache that thumped with every thunderbolt, and the steady rain seemed to suggest covering up my head and cancelling the day. I put aside my better judgement, dressed, missed breakfast, and hurried on my way.

Still humming the words, "Rainy days and Mondays always get me down" while driving to work, I survived Duquesne Road, Turkey Creek out of control, and that crazy blinking light with a river beside it. Thoroughly bugged, I sloshed through ankle deep water in the parking lot, entered my office, and brightly inquired about the

fate of our local football teams this past weekend (I was out of town) and encountered silence. (For you traditional students, "Rainy Days and Mondays" was made popular by the Carpenters back in the dark ages of my youth). Looking out my window, I noticed a brave soccer team (or some crazy students) swimming on the soccer field.

As you freshmen are aware, the major agenda item of my day was a presentation on careers and a slide show about DISCOVER, the computer-based career guidance system. The first hour was so so...I only had trouble operating the slide projector. By the fourth hour I had a definite feeling of deja vu, so to all you freshmen who patiently listened, thank you. Between presentations, I checked in at the office—therein was my downfall. Every hour there was a new crisis with no time for solution so I did what any self-respecting professional would do, I worried.

As a form of mind exercise, and at times, self-inflicted pain, I am auditing a math class during the noon hour—so lunch was an impossibility. I sogged (as opposed to jogged) my way to class and dried out somewhat while trying to absorb word problems—a real task for this older mind which

would rather concentrate on lunch. It was then time to wade back for another DISCOVER presentation. One leader shared with me the terrible events of her Monday and, strangely enough, I began to feel better. There is truth in the saying that misery loves company.

A 2 p.m. "lunch" of four cookies sugar coated my brain as I set out to solve the day's crises. With a little help and encouragement from my friends in the office, the crises began to dim to minor frustrations. My prospects of an evening "Mickeyburger" changed when a dear friend called with a dinner invitation. (Do not misinterpret—I LOVE Mickeyburgers, but some days one needs veggies). Finally, the Cowboys won—forgive me—I was a Dallas fan before moving to Missouri!

In spite of permanently wet clothing, ankle deep water, inside out umbrellas, frizzed hair and a permanent barometer in the head, the day was turning out all right. The logical conclusion is—and the sun came out. Oh well, does anyone want to report on "Rainy Days and Tuesdays?"

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(Top) Located on the banks of Turkey Creek, the Wastewater Treatment Plant is known to dump partially treated sewage into the creek. (Bottom) Fence posts, barrels, and pieces of concrete can be seen littering the creek near Missouri Southern's campus.

## Creek serves as teaching aid

Running along the edge of Missouri Southern's campus, Turkey Creek serves as an important teaching aid to the College as well as enhancing its aesthetic value.

David Tillman, assistant professor of biology, has spent the last 10 years studying Turkey Creek, especially the section near the campus. In his research he has paid particular attention to invertebrate organisms in order to monitor the pollution level of the water.

Believing the only stretch of Turkey Creek that still resembles a "typical, little Ozark stream" is the stretch on Southern's campus, Tillman said the rest has been and is still being affected by various forms of pollution.

These pollution forms include the dumping of sewage by the Joplin Wastewater Treatment Plant, last summer's sewage spill from Tamko Asphalt Products, and industrial run off of such things as fluids which collect on parking lots and then wash into the creek when it rains. These all affect the creek's diversity of life.

"Once you get past Range Line Road, the diversity drops off tremendously," he said.

Tillman said in a favorable situation, where the water is clean, there is great diversity of life. Many different species of organisms will be living in the water, but if an influence such as pollution changes the environment some of that diversity will be lost. In a situation where the environment has been affected by such an influence there may be many organisms, but few kinds of organisms.

"That's not good," he said. "In a natural situation you want to find a lot of different kinds of organisms."

Organisms such as fish have some capacity to survive environmental factors,

including pollution, because they have the mobility to escape it. However, invertebrates such as the mayfly and the stone fly, in larval stages, cannot move to escape these factors. Instead, these organisms will live under the rocks of a creek anywhere from one to three years, depending on the organism.

"The invertebrates tend to monitor the water over a period of time due to their lack of mobility," Tillman said. "They can be pretty good monitors."

Because of its natural state, the stretch of the creek on campus can serve as a valuable teaching aid, unless it, too, becomes affected by pollution.

"A great deal can be learned," said Tillman. "There is no need to travel away from campus."

Tillman said over the last 10 years only one or two species have been lost from Southern's section of the creek and have not re-established themselves. This is due to the low bacterial count.

"It has been safe enough that you could swim and not be concerned," he said.

Although Southern's section of the stream may be safe enough for swimming, this is not true downstream where the bacterial counts are very high due to pollution.

According to Tillman, Turkey Creek has no official classification. As a result, plants such as the Wastewater Treatment Plant are not required to chlorinate, or disinfect, the sewage they dump into the creek. This causes the high bacterial count.

"If they treat the sewage to a certain degree they can dump into it (Turkey Creek)," he said.

Tillman pointed out that problems such as this have a strong effect on such a small stream. He said the recent sewage spill from Tamko Asphalt Products had a

"devastating" effect on the creek.

"Some things undoubtedly did survive," he said, "but most things did suffer the consequences."

He said those organisms which did survive were ones which can live on very low oxygen levels, because pollution drastically reduces the oxygen level in the water. However, some recovery should be seen within a year.

"It's unlikely that you are ever going to reclaim Turkey Creek where it has already been misused," said Tillman.

While complete recovery of the stream is doubtful, Tillman believes the section near the College may be preserved so that it can act as a breeding ground to rejuvenate the damaged areas.

"A good flood like we just had is sometimes beneficial," he said.

A flood can "scour" the creek, Tillman said, and wash away some of the pollution. This then gives the creek a chance to rejuvenate as it washes organisms downstream from healthy sections to formerly polluted sections.

Tillman feels very strongly about preserving the College's section of Turkey Creek, not only because of its teaching value and significant role in helping rejuvenate the damaged areas of the creek, but also because of its aesthetic value.

"I think a little stream always enhances the aesthetic value of anything," he said.

Tillman said it enhances the attractiveness of the campus, and gives students the opportunity to sit and observe nature. Not only is there wildlife in the water of Turkey Creek, but on its banks as well. Deer, green heron, snakes, and coyotes are seen from time to time.

"In the last four or five years I have seen a pair of coyotes working the edge of the stream down here," said Tillman.

## Creek important in founding of Joplin

Beginning near Diamond, Mo., and emptying into Spring River near Galena, Kan., Turkey Creek played an important role in the founding of Joplin.

Turkey Creek is listed as one of six "boils" in the area. These boils, which also include North Fork, Center Creek, Shoal Creek, Indian Creek, and Elk River, were all spring-fed and swiftly flowing with a boiling or surging quality. This led to the name of six boils.

In the early 1800s land was fertile and game was plentiful along the banks of Turkey Creek, making it attractive to hunters and farmers alike. Fish, beaver, muskrat, elk, black bear, and wild turkey were typical in the area. Oak and black walnut trees grew dense along the banks.

"Your early settlements in the immediate area were on Turkey Creek," said Gail Renner, associate professor of history.

Joplin's first settler and founder, John C. Cox, came to the area from Tennessee in the late 1830s. Cox built a log cabin on

the banks of Turkey Creek, then later moved to a larger house on Joplin Creek.

According to Renner, the Rothanbarger house, built along Turkey Creek in the late 1840s or early 1850s, is one of the oldest houses in Joplin today. Part of the house was built during the Civil War, and it was actually used as a hospital for a short time during the war.

"There was a lot of skirmishing along Turkey Creek during the Civil War," Renner said, "between guerillas and union troops. There was a lot of that going on in the area."

Near the Rothanbarger house was an area known as Castle Rock, which is still a popular swimming hole today.

"That developed as kind of a recreation center," said Renner. "Castle Rock was a small settlement there that preceded the Civil War."

Shifferdecker Gardens was another recreation area located on the banks of Turkey Creek. This was a place where people gathered to drink beer and have pic-

nics. Located near Castle Rock, the park featured a dance pavilion and bowling lanes, and was sometimes used for Fourth of July celebrations.

Another old house in Joplin is referred to as Holly Hill, built by Robert Jameson in 1848.

"It was built up on the hill, and at the base of the hill was Great Western Spring," Renner said.

This spring was an important watering stop for pioneers, and according to legend, Jameson was killed by bushwackers in the house and buried in the yard.

Turkey Creek also played a role in the mining development of Joplin.

"One of the first mining camps in the area, called Turkey Creek Mining Camp, was established there," said Renner.

Also considered part of the Turkey Creek Mining Camp was Leadville. Renner said this was the largest settlement in the area before the Civil War.



Oldest house

Sitting just above Turkey Creek on Florida Avenue, the Rothanbarger House was built during the Civil War and is considered to be the oldest house in Joplin.



Nature

This small waterfall can be found near Missouri Southern's campus on Turkey Creek. This and many other beautiful spots can be seen along the banks if one takes the time to look closely and to enjoy nature at its best. Students who do take the time find the walk down to the creek as well as the tranquility that can be found there to be a nice break from daily activities.



Floaters

Two unsuspecting floaters are caught taking time out to enjoy the recreational value of Turkey Creek. The section they are on runs along the edge of Missouri Southern's campus. According to David Tillman, assistant professor of biology, this section of the creek is the only section which has a bacterial count low enough that the water is safe for swimming. Downstream from the campus the creek's bacterial count rises drastically due to various forms of pollution such as the dumpage of sewage and industrial run off. Tillman believes it is important to preserve this section of the creek.

Stories and photos

by

JoAnn Hollis



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## Club starts friendships

### Reorganized group makes students aware

Getting its department involved in the new school year, the newly reorganized Biology Club has already made plans.

Helping to develop friendships and social interaction among students in the same field of study is one of the purposes of the club, according to Dr. James Jackson, professor of biology.

"Our main vehicle," Jackson said, "is making students aware of post-graduate opportunities. We provide academically stimulating experiences."

The Biology Club is open to all biology majors or anyone with biological interests or studies. Having Tri-Beta, the national biology organization, and the Pre-Med Club as sub-groups, the Biology Club also includes students majoring in pre-vet, pre-nursing, pre-dental and dental hygiene, forestry, and other environmental and science related areas. Current club membership stands at 89.

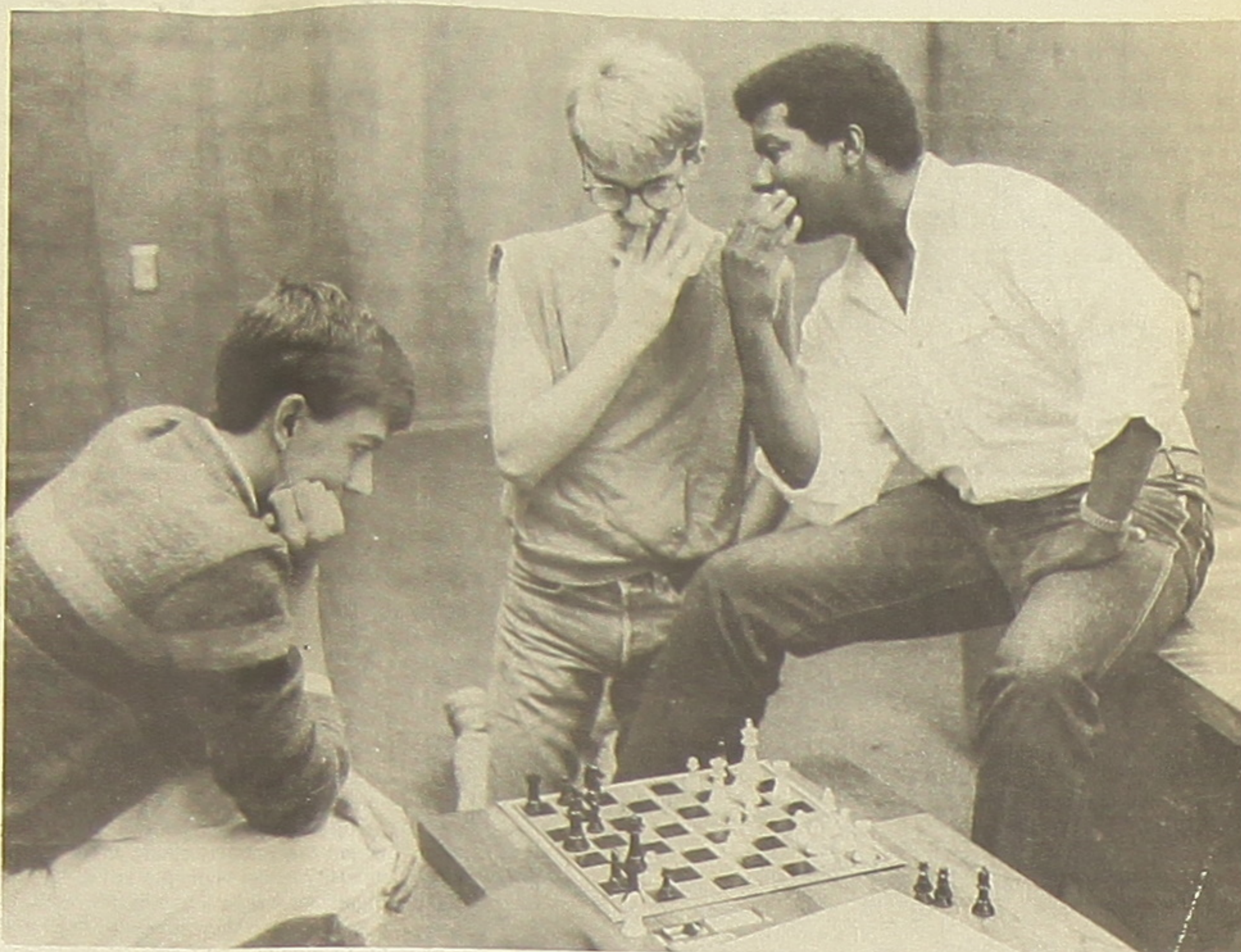
At its first meeting officers were elected. They include Judy Cupp, president; Joyce Mason, vice president; Chris Hussion, secretary; Charles Keeney, treasurer; and Tim Capehart, parliamentarian/historian. These five, along with sponsors Jackson and Dr. Sam Gibson, will be instrumental in organizing activities for the school year.

"The club allows students to tour graduate facilities at universities," said Mason, "to determine what a specific graduate program offers for a potential student."

Tours through facilities at the University of Missouri and the University of Arkansas are being planned along with field trips including a photo-journal trek and a cave-exploring expedition. Students and professionals in biological areas will present special topics of interest at various meetings for club members.

Halloween and other holiday parties, cleaning up Wildcat Park in Joplin, and working concession stands at campus athletic events are among tentative plans for the organization.

"The most significant aspect of the Biology Club," Mason added, "is that it allows interested students to discuss ideas and opinions on current issues affecting the biological sciences."



**Ponders** Jeff Turner (left) ponders his next move while Will Elliott (center) and Mike Hillman (right) talk about how capture Turner's king. The game was played in the lounge of Webster Hall. (Chart photo by Rick Evans.)

## CEC gets \$470 from Senate

In last night's meeting, the Student Senate passed a resolution to give \$470 to the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) for a trip to the International Conference on Learning Disabilities in Kansas City.

Five students and two faculty will attend the conference today and tomorrow.

The resolution to provide funding for the trip was submitted last week. CEC originally asked for \$640.75 to fully cover the cost of registration for the conference, travel, and motel.

The finance committee recommended the lesser figure by cutting the proposed \$344 for the hotel bill in half. They felt the motel chosen was too expensive, and that a less expensive one could be found.

Leasa Ryun, the sponsoring senator of the trip, pointed out that the organization chose this particular hotel because of the closeness to the conference. She said this would cut down on cab costs.

"In the past it has been standard procedure to cut the motel cost in half," said Nick Harvill, senior senator.

Diana Bauder, a representative from CEC, said that even with the cut her group would be able to attend the conference.

Bauder said several benefits are obtained from the conference. Handouts from the conference can be brought back

and reproduced to give other education majors current materials to learn from.

"Learning disabilities is an important area for all education majors, not only those working with exceptional children, because of mainstreaming," said Bauder.

The Student Senate also accepted a proposal to give \$2,877.50 to go toward the annual all-campus Homecoming cookout, traditionally sponsored by the Campus Activities Board and Student Senate.

Val Williams, director of student activities, submitted a proposal requesting only \$2,577.50 to cover half the cost of the food and T-shirts.

Williams said the CAB did not include splitting the cost of the band it had gotten for the festivities, since the Student Senate did not have any input to this decision.

CAB will have *Riders in the Sky*, a band from Texas, play at the cookout. The cost to bring the group was \$2,500.

However, a motion was made and accepted to add \$300 to the original figure proposed by CAB to help cover the cost of the band.

The Student Senate also passed a proposal to give \$200 to help cover the cost of prizes for the Talent Show. Like the cookout, the Senate splits the cost with CAB.

## Group provides housing, activities

By Kevin Keller  
Staff Writer

Students living on campus are provided with services to make their adjustment easier. The Residence Hall Association, staff assistants, and the head residents are all factors which make dormitory life more than a "home-away-from-home."

RHA is an activity club designed to plan entertainment for on-campus students. It is open to anyone living in the housing system. According to Steve Mattas, RHA president, it is the largest organization for students.

"Membership is \$10," said Mattas, "but the value is worth \$30 or more with the activities."

The head residents, SAs, and dormitory representatives meet at 9:30 p.m. every Monday in an open setting for all interested to discuss events.

Movies, ice cream socials, pizza parties, and a Halloween party are a few upcoming functions. A successful dance earlier this year will be the basis for scheduling more. RHA members are admitted free to events, while there is a small cover charge for other participants.

"Each SA," said Lisa McKinley, a staff assistant, "is required both semesters to have a project for their wing or the entire dorm, and RHA will fund that."

Planning activities with RHA is a task delegated to the SAs, but their responsibilities don't stop there. As the title suggests, assisting in discipline control, personal problems, counseling and guidance, and just being a friend are all part of the job.

This year's 17 SAs were selected last March after submitting applications and passing written and oral interviews set up by the housing department staff. Requirements were to be of sophomore standing or above, carry at least a 2.5 GPA, and preferably to have lived in campus housing. Once selected for the position, room and board are covered as payment for their efforts.

McKinley became interested in the aspects of being an SA after her sister, Vickie, had participated in the program for two years. She has been pleased with her assignment in assisting students and

especially has valued all the new acquaintances.

"Being an SA has been a great satisfaction from all the people I've gotten to know," said McKinley. "People know you because you're an SA, and you get to know people because you're an SA."

Mattas regrets not being involved as an SA the previous year. He has learned communication is essential to be able to communicate with all 36 people in his area. Good relations play a part if he is to be the medium man required of him.



"I'm responsible for what happens in my wing," he said.

Each SA is responsible for how strictly he or she enforces regulations which sometimes promotes the label that SAs aren't liked. Both Mattas and McKinley agreed that the hardest job factor can be disciplining people who are friends.

Final say on discipline and other policies belong to Ruth Rice and Dan Rogers, the head resident directors. Rice has served over the women for 11 years, and enjoys her job of being in charge of room assignments and the overall organization.

"I'm someone here so when SAs have problems, they have someone to come to," she said.

## Upcoming Events

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<b>TODAY!</b>	<b>Homecoming Final Election</b> 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. BSC stairwell	<b>SPECIAL EVENTS</b>	<b>Freshmen Reception</b> 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. BSC 310	<b>English Club</b> 12:15 p.m. BSC 306
<b>TOMORROW</b>	<b>Fall</b>	<b>Break</b>	<b>classes</b>	<b>dismissed</b>
<b>WEEK END!!</b>	<b>Soccer</b> vs. Tarkio 1:30 p.m. here		<b>Football</b> vs. Emporia St. University 2:35 p.m. there	<b>Volleyball</b> at Mo. Western Inv. TBA
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>Guest Speakers</b>	E. Morgan Williams will speak on "The Future of the Third World and Its Economic Impact on the U.S." at noon in the Connor Ballroom.		
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>Air-band Competition</b> 12:30 p.m. Lion's Den		<b>Soccer</b> vs. John Brown U. 3:30 p.m. here	<b>Talent Show</b> 7:30 p.m. Connor Ballroom
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>Student Teaching</b> Final day to apply for student teaching. See Dr. Ed Wuch.	<b>Biology Club</b> 3 p.m. RH205	<b>Student Senate</b> 5:30 p.m. BSC 310	<b>MSSC Royalty Fashion Show</b> 7 p.m. Northpark Mall

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## Broadway career appeals to Jennifer Mountjoy

By Lisa Snyder  
Arts Editor

They say the neon lights are bright on Broadway. One day, Jennifer Mountjoy hopes to see her name displayed on a New York marquee.

Mountjoy, a junior majoring in theatre at Missouri Southern, hopes to be a professional actress of the stage, not film.

"Stage acting is true acting," says Mountjoy. "Film is different."

Mountjoy is a student assistant, which means she helps on stage, props, costume, and many other aspects that go into the making of a production.

"I chose to attend Southern because it was the best place to go," she said. "It's a small school with a good theatre department. Here I can do everything. I've worked on lighting, set, costumes, sound, and acting, and I'm receiving a wide range of experience which will look good for going to a larger school."

"My first choice would be to attend the University of New York, but it depends on where I end up after graduation."

Theatre seems to be the central point of Mountjoy's life.

"I enjoy the theatre department very much. It's like a family here. I'm on a friendly basis with all of my teachers."

Mountjoy is currently working with her "family" on *A Pack of Lies*, in which she portrays Barbara Jackson. Southern will be performing the play Oct. 22-25.

"Right now I'm going crazy wondering how I'll learn all of my lines and how I'll get everything done," she said.

Mountjoy works part-time at Joplin Health Care, and is also in a production at the Carthage Music and Theatre Club.

Mountjoy has been in five major productions at Southern: *Brush Up On Your Shakespeare*, *A Christmas Carol*, *The Great Cross Country Race*, *Crimes of the Heart*, and *Ah! Wilderness*. She was also

in approximately six productions in high school and community theatre.

Her interest in acting began when a friend talked her into enrolling in speech and debate the summer before ninth grade.

"I didn't think I would like it, but finally decided to try it. At the end of the semester we did a production, and I got a lot of praise, and it felt good," said Mountjoy. "In high school, I got a lot of recognition, and people said I was good. I liked acting and decided that's what I wanted to do."

Born in Kansas City, Mountjoy moved to Carthage at the age of two. Her mother is an R.N. and teaches health occupations at Carthage Senior High.

"Mom was in the USO and when she talked about it, it was very interesting. She never came out and told me to act, but she is very supportive."

Mountjoy is the vice president of Alpha Psi Omega, an honorary theatre fraternity at Missouri Southern.

"To be a member, you have to pass a test and then go through initiation which is very interesting...very scary."

She enjoys reading, writing, and dancing when time allows.

"I really like to read," Mountjoy says. "Usually, I say to myself 'I've got 15 minutes and I am going to read for 15 minutes.' I also like to write. Part of acting is analyzing people, and I have a theatre notebook in which I write daily about the people I meet, or possibly the emotions I feel that day."

Having little time for hobbies doesn't seem to bother her. She has set her goals and plans on receiving her master's degree to give her a better chance to "make it."

"I plan on going to a big city, maybe Dallas, but there's a lot of talent out there, and a master's will be a good thing to have to back me up."



Rehearses

With script in hand, Jennifer Mountjoy rehearses her lines. Mountjoy will appear in Southern Theatre's upcoming production of "Pack of Lies." The play will be presented at 8 p.m. Oct. 22, 23, 24, and 25 at Taylor Performing Arts Center. She will portray Barbara Jackson in the play. (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

## Talent Show on tap here Tuesday

Promising to be an entertaining evening, Missouri Southern's annual Talent Show will be held during Homecoming week.

"Last year, the show went real well," said LaNita Wilhelm, who is assisting Jill Cole of the Campus Activities Board and Lance Adams, Student Senate president, with the show.

The show will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center. Rehearsal for the event will take place at 7 p.m. Monday, in the same place.

"Everyone is invited, so we hope to have a good turnout for the show," said Wilhelm. "There are always a lot of students who come over from the dorms."

Eight individual and five group acts currently have signed up for the event.

"We have a lot of comedy acts signed up," said Cole. "There is also an air band."

Val Williams, student activities director, said there would be also be a breakdance show called *Thunder and Lightning*, a country singer, and a skit called *Homecoming Queens from around the World*.

Last year there were easily 175 to 200 people," said Williams. "This year we're expecting even more. It is a good chance to go out and laugh at your friends."

First prize winners receive \$75; \$50 for second prize; and \$25 for third prize. There are first, second, and third place winners in both individual and group categories.

Marty Oetting was first prize winner in the individual category in last year's show. Oetting performed original compositions on the piano.

Last year's group winner was the Newton County Edition, which specialized in bluegrass music.

## 'Stand By Me:' a painfully realistic view of childhood

By Amber Wilson  
Staff Writer

Anticipating an eerie show, I went to see the movie *Stand By Me*. I was interested in it by the ads on television, but even more so when I discovered the movie was based on Stephen King's novella, *The Body*.

Being an avid King fan, I knew I didn't want to miss it. Having read many King works, I assumed the movie would be of sinister nature. Well, it is, but that's a side of the movie that isn't delved into.

*Stand By Me* is a painfully realistic view of childhood. Four boys on the edge of puberty and junior high (one and the same), set off on a search Labor Day weekend. They are searching for the dead

body of a boy their own age who disappeared three days earlier.

Vern Tessio, played by Jerry O'Connell, overhears his older brother and friend (two members of an unruly gang of hoods) talking of finding the dead boy some 20 miles away. The two older boys are afraid to tell the police because they were in a stolen car at the time, so they decide to keep their discovery a secret.

Vern hurries to relay this exciting piece of news to his three best friends.

River Phoenix portrays Chris Chambers, the leader of this small and unlikely group. Chris comes from a bad family in the small town of Castle Rock, Ore. Labeled a "no-good thief" by the town, young Chris is actually honest, supportive, and extremely loyal to his friends. Chris wants to be somebody. He wants to escape from a town where he is a nobody.

Phoenix as Chris Chambers is heart-achingly believable in his role. Phoenix is only four years older than the 12-year-old he plays, and you can tell he remembers exactly what it was like to be a kid, and embrace things that seemed important before discovering girls. Phoenix is a young actor I'm sure you'll be seeing a lot of in the years to come.

The film, directed by Rob Reiner (*The Sure Thing*), is set in 1959, and is peppered with popular sayings from the '50s. "It's boss!" was one and my favorite "Shut up!...I don't shut up, I grow up, and when I look at you I throw up!" Charming...

Wil Wheaton is Gordy Lechance. Gordy is the level-headed "normal" one. He comes from a middle-class family, but they have their problems, also. Gordy's older brother was killed in an accident a few months earlier, and Gordy suffers

from guilt. Gordy feels his parents wish it would have been him to die, and watching I got that feeling, also. Gordy remembers when his brother was alive, and despite all the attention showered on him, the older brother, played by John Cusack, was very good to Gordy.

Corey Feldman plays Teddy Duchamp. Teddy is definitely a sad case. His father is in an institution after holding Teddy to a stove, almost burning off his ear. Teddy is unbalanced and explosive. He seems to have a death wish. He is always teasing Vern. Vern is chubby and slow, physically and mentally, and Teddy takes advantage of him.

The boys decide finding the body is a terrific way for them to become heroes. They follow the train tracks for 20 miles. It becomes an obsession with the boys. Toward the end of their trek, it's as if they

must find the body.

Meanwhile, Vern's older brother and his friend have managed to tell their secret to the rest of their gang. This gang is led by Ace, played by Keifer Sutherland. Ace is a very bad guy, ruthless and cruel. Chris's older brother is also in the gang. His attitude toward Chris is one of total indifference. He doesn't even bat an eyelash when Ace bullies Chris.

Ace decides that their gang should go after the body, so they set off in cars, causing trouble all the way.

Obviously, the two groups must meet.

*Stand By Me* is poignant. You ache for these boys to escape from their distressing situations. Summing up feelings for the movie, the grown up Gordy, played by Richard Dreyfuss, writes, "You never have friends like you had when you were 12."

### Movie Review

## Graham-Hall debate team takes fourth

Receiving fourth place at the debate tournament held last weekend at Oklahoma Christian College has not dampened the spirits of the team of Todd Graham and Tre Hall.

"We were very pleased with fourth. It was a large tournament," said Graham.

Graham-Hall were among the top 16 in the first six preliminaries, sending them on to octifinals, where they beat the University of Oklahoma 2-1.

Moving on to quarterfinals, Graham-Hall faced a team from William Jewell College, losing 2-1.

"In quarterfinals, two out of three judges thought we lost," said Graham. "We thought we won, the other team

thought we won, but the judges didn't. The other team apologized to us after the trophies were given."

Graham and Hall were among the top 10 speakers at the tournament, which was attended by 54 teams consisting of 108 speakers.

Southern's David Watkins-Joyce Mason went 3-3 in preliminaries, losing the first three and winning the last.

This weekend the debate team is off to the University of Missouri-St. Louis for the first tournament ever held there.

"It should be a good tournament," said Graham. "It will pull a lot of eastern teams in. We'll be facing teams we haven't seen yet. It should be good competition."

## Coming Attractions

Joplin	Army Field Band 8 p.m. Oct. 15 Memorial Hall	Watercolor Exhibit thru Oct. 26 Spiva Art Center	PLAYS	'Pack of Lies' Oct. 22-25 Taylor Auditorium
SPRINGFIELD	Jay Leno Oct. 16 Hammond Student Center 836-4639	RECITALS	'Music and the Magic' Oct. 19 Art Museum 887-8161	
KANSAS CITY	Triumph Oct. 10 Kemper	REM Oct. 11 Memorial Hall	Concerts	Neil Young Oct. 16 Kemper Arena (816)576-7676
Tulsa	Andy Williams Oct. 10 Brady Theatre (918)585-3100	Spyro Gyra Oct. 17 Performing Arts Center	Barbara Mandrell Oct. 19 Maybee Center (918)584-2000	David Copperfield Oct. 22 Chapman Music Hall (918)592-7111
ELSEWHERE	St. Louis Symphony Oct. 9 thru 11 Powell Hall	Sadie Hawkins Day observed Oct. 11 Lampe, Mo.	EXHIBITS	National Crafts Festival Silver Anniversary thru Oct. 26 Silver Dollar City

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Michael Hailey

## Graduate returns as coordinator Hailey responsible for maintaining internal, external publications

By Maggie Burdick  
Chart Reporter

Being artistic comes easy for Michael Hailey. "I am the only person who has designed the Missouri Southern and Pittsburg State University homecoming jukebox brochures and posters," he said.

He is at Southern for his second stint—but this time as an employee instead of a student.

Hailey is a graphic coordinator at Southern, responsible for maintaining attractive external and internal publications.

"I never thought I was considered talented," he said. "I just make things look like the picture."

Hailey attended Southern from 1968-73. He received a bachelor of science degree in education and a minor in art and journalism.

"I worked since I was 13," he said. "I worked for a rental place, Leggett & Platt, a cannery, and KODE, and there's even more."

At Leggett & Platt, Hailey trained all over the U.S. as a visual photographer. He did large trade shows of beds and other furniture.

"This job was good," he said, "because of all the traveling I was able to do."

"While working at the rental place, I would doodle a lot. My boss saw what I was doing and introduced me to a man who put my talents of art to use in advertising. And this is what I've been doing ever since," he said.

Hailey is involved with the Unity Church as a member of the board of directors. His church believes in a universal philosophy of religion.

"This way everyone can feel comfortable," Hailey said. "I would like to be an example to people as friendly, concerned,

and be the best I can be."

In his spare time, Hailey enjoys biking, skiing, and being with nature.

"But there are too many things I enjoy with not enough time to do them," he said.

Hailey, at this time, is single. He says, "If marriage happens, it happens. But I'm not going to hold my breath."

Hailey was active in high school as well as in college. He was in Key Club and Spanish Club at Joplin High School. During college, he was in Young Engineers Club.

"There is a pet peeve," Hailey said, "and that is traffic. I hate it. I only enjoy cruising in Kansas because of the open road."

There are times when he needs to be away from people, and driving in Kansas may be the answer. But Hailey thinks of himself as a "people to people person," and wouldn't trade it for anything.

## Preparing promotional material is Meacham's main responsibility

By Marvin Grimes  
Chart Reporter

Being a writer and photographer is not the typical nine to five job—at least not at Missouri Southern.

The person assigned to such a role at Southern is Larry Meacham, who works in the College's public information office.

"I do anything which will help the College," Meacham says. "I work all around the campus."

Meacham assumed his position at Southern last spring after 22 years in broadcast journalism. His career led him to top news positions at all three television network affiliates in the Joplin area. Most of his 22 years in broadcasting were spent in the role of news director, but Meacham has also performed as field reporter and video cameraman.

"A person can only take so many bad fires and murders," Meacham said. "Sometimes I hear firebells go off, and I miss the broadcast world, but it is positive here at Southern, and I like that."

Meacham's main responsibility at Southern is writing copy and taking

photographs for promotional College publications. He also has the task of developing departmental brochures—the brochures that are handed out through the College's admissions office to explain course offerings to potential students.

Because of the diverse nature of Meacham's job, one may have difficulty finding him in his small office tucked away on the bottom floor of the Billingsly Student Center. Here is where Meacham does much of his writing.

discussing the proposed artwork for a new campus brochure with Mike Hailey, Southern's graphic artist.

Meacham is a 1962 graduate of Pittsburg State University. He also attended the old Joplin Junior College.

"I started out like all of us, as a disc jockey for KODE radio while going to college."

Currently Meacham is working on a project which will profile the outstanding faculty members of Southern.

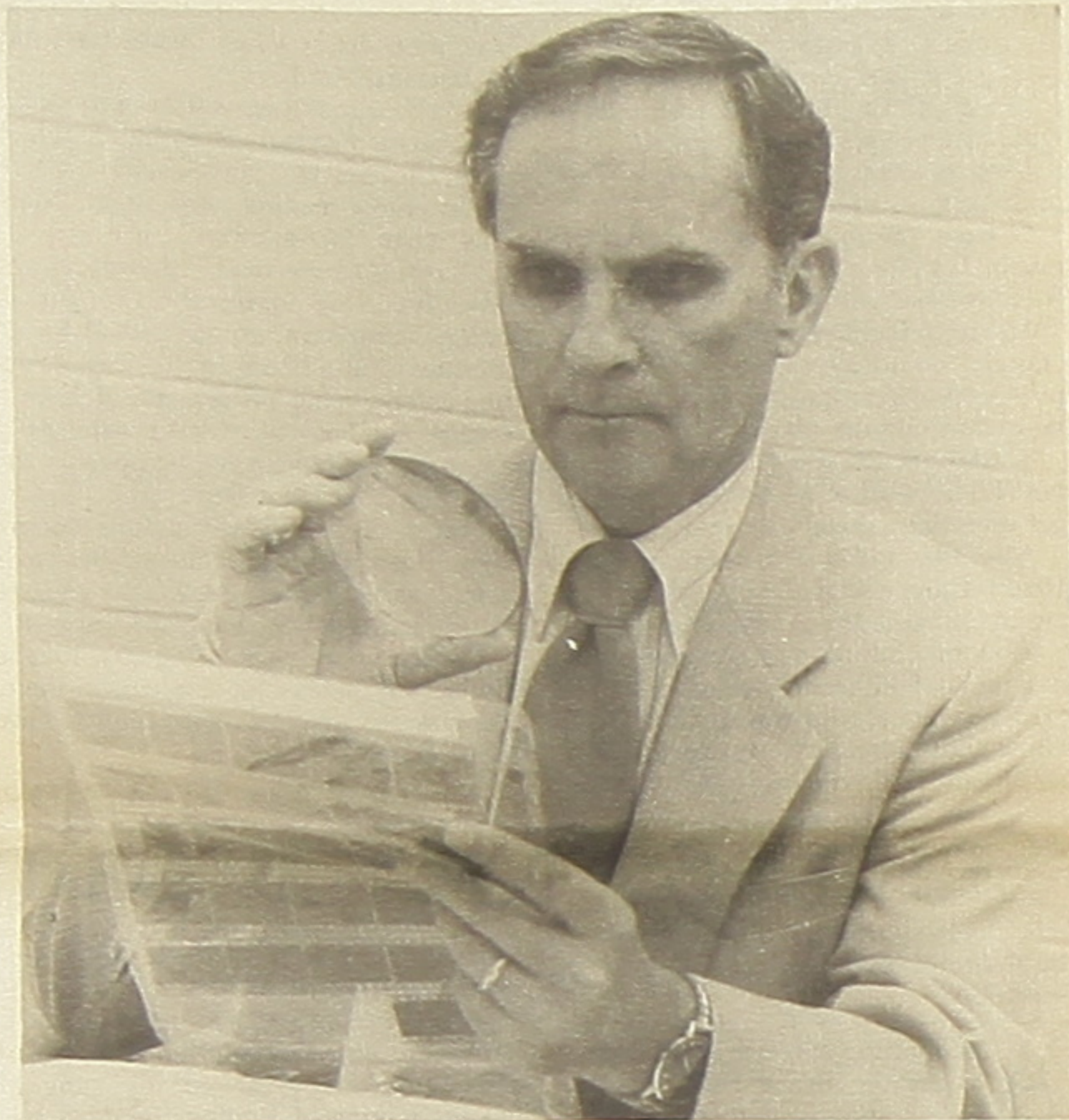
**"I do anything which will help the College. I work all around the campus."**

—Larry Meacham, Public Information Office employee

"My job keeps me on the go quite a bit," he said, "but I do spend some time in the office."

Meacham's typical day might include a morning of taking photographs at MSTV (Missouri Southern Television), interviewing a new faculty member over lunch, and then a busy afternoon of

He is married and has two sons: Jerry, who is in junior high, and Larry Jr., who is starting his freshman year at Southern. His wife, Mary, was the art director for the Joplin public school system for 15 years. He says this fact makes her well suited to give him ideas and suggestions about his work.



Larry Meacham

## Hargis enjoys working with people

By John Dill  
Chart Reporter

Life is never dull for Terre Hargis. "I enjoy working with students at Southern," Hargis said. "I suppose you could say I enjoy working with people anywhere."

This soft-spoken secretary employed in January by Missouri Southern's library is the grandmother of three. She also has a love for the outdoors.

"I spend my quiet hours on Table Rock Lake fishing for bass and catfish," Hargis said.

Hargis may be a grandmother, as well as an avid outdoorsman, yet she has time to plan for the future. She is wanting to enter the fast-moving world of business and computers. She is looking forward to attending classes at Southern next year.

Education is high of Hargis's list of priorities. A love for higher education has sparked her need to follow new goals.

"I want to get a bachelor of science degree in business at Southern," Hargis said.

After Hargis graduates from Southern, she wants to return to the College where she can work with the students.

"The students are great, and the people are fantastic to work with. I like working at Southern," Hargis said.

Hargis, a graduate of Joplin Senior High School, worked within the Joplin area several years. Later she moved to the west coast, where she worked for five years. Hargis then returned to Joplin, taking the library position.

**"I take my job seriously; the students are great, and the people are fantastic to work with. I like working at Southern."**

—Terre Hargis, Missouri Southern employee

"I take my job seriously; every invoice, phone call, and all the information I put into the computer is very important to me," Hargis said. "I also gather information for the library's budget."

The enjoyable lifestyle Hargis has, and her future that she is planning, only adds to the exciting times which she enjoyed while working at Newton's Jewelry in Joplin.

"I remember when turquoise jewelry

was in style," Hargis said. "Bunny Newton would open his Northpark Mall store on Sunday for Roy Clark and Hank Williams Jr., and I would help the two singers with their situations."

Once in awhile one of the singers would surprise Hargis by coming into Newton's Jewelry store on a weekday.

"One time," Hargis said, "I was work-

ing in the jewelry store when a man and woman came into the store. The man stood back in a corner while the woman looked at diamonds. I started to become nervous, because sometimes thieves work in pairs, but when the woman paid with her credit card, I saw the name Mrs. Hank Williams Jr."

Hargis paused, then said, "I always thought that was interesting and exciting."



Terre Hargis, library secretary, hopes to receive a bachelor of science degree in business from Missouri Southern. She is looking forward to attending classes next semester.

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## Joplin delegation makes pitch to Japanese companies

By Rob Smith  
Campus Editor

When representatives from Isuzu and Fuji visited with Joplin Chamber of Commerce President Gary Tonjes in July, he hoped to convince the companies the city was a good location for a plant.

When Tonjes and four others went to Japan in mid-September, they again tried to get the companies to locate in Joplin. Tonjes still does not know where the plant will be located.

"The companies are looking at sites in several states, but there are only two sites in Missouri being considered," he said. "The sites are Joplin and Springfield."

Gil Stevens, John Wright, Harold McCoy, Roy Cagle, and Tonjes made the trip to Japan on Sept. 17. The group met with representatives of the two companies

and made some connections with other companies.

"We have other companies that we are talking to now," Tonjes said. "We have some leads from Japan and this country."

"I would suspect that there would be people moving in from all over the midwest," Tonjes said. "Those people would come here looking for jobs. There would be much construction, new apart-

automobiles. Tonjes said the plant would cost \$500 million to build and employ 1,700 people.

"Wherever they go, they anticipate starting operations in 1989," Tonjes said.

Fuji and Isuzu would then expand the plant in 1994, adding an additional 1,500 workers. The plant will require several hundred acres of land. Tonjes said the companies wanted the possible location of the site to remain confidential.

The Chamber of Commerce has made some basic projections as to what the Isuzu and Fuji Plant could mean to the Joplin area.

"Every area of the community is affected," said Tonjes. "It would also affect Carl Junction, Carthage, Miami (Okla.), Neosho, and many other communities."

The projections, based on an estimated 1,700 new manufacturing jobs, show the possibility of 119 new retail

establishments, a population increase of 3,434 people, and an increase of \$25.1 million in retail sales.

School enrollment would increase by more than 1,000, and there would be an additional 1,088 non-manufacturing jobs.

Tonjes said the real work will come when it is time to work on utility extensions and planning. The city and utilities will be responsible for all the infrastructure improvements.

"They should decide who will get the plant by the end of the year," Tonjes said. "We are always trying to grow, and with growth we have the potential for more growth."

"All we are is a city being considered for the site. I think they were impressed with Joplin. They liked very much what they saw here."

**"It would give the economy a tremendous boost. Some think it would change the face of the community overnight."**

—Gary Tonjes, president of Chamber of Commerce

We're hopeful that we can get our share of some of the growth of these companies. We're going to do everything we can."

Tonjes said if the plant was to come to Joplin, the growth would "affect everything."

ments, more retail establishments, and more investments by major developers. It would give the economy a tremendous boost. Some think it would change the face of the community overnight."

The plant would produce Subaru

## Charter revision begins

Former mayor assigns 'housecleaning' tasks

By Rob Smith  
Campus Editor

In a meeting held Friday, Jack Belden named subcommittees and assigned initial tasks for the revising of the Joplin Home Rule Charter.

Belden, former Joplin mayor and committee chairman, named 27 people to three different committees at the meeting.

"It is not our job to rewrite the charter," Belden said, "but it's also not our job just to amend one or two articles. We will do a little housecleaning on it. We will have some input from Harold McCoy and some other city officials."

Belden said he hoped the committees could move through the articles without a lot of unnecessary hang-ups. He wants the committees to complete their initial reports by Nov. 6. The entire committee will meet on Nov. 14 to decide on necessary revisions to the charter, which was originally adopted in 1954.

"I feel that we should move right through this and see if we can get it done by Thanksgiving," said Belden.

He hoped the groups could come together and have a final report completed by Christmas, but he said it is "a tentative timetable, not one chiseled in granite."

Belden suggested the subcommittees see if there is a difference in opinion, and to include all arguments for and against a revision. He said "this way the Council will know not only the recommendation, but the weight of it."

The committee chairman said the time allowed for the proposed amendments would leave room for the amendments to be included on the spring election ballot.

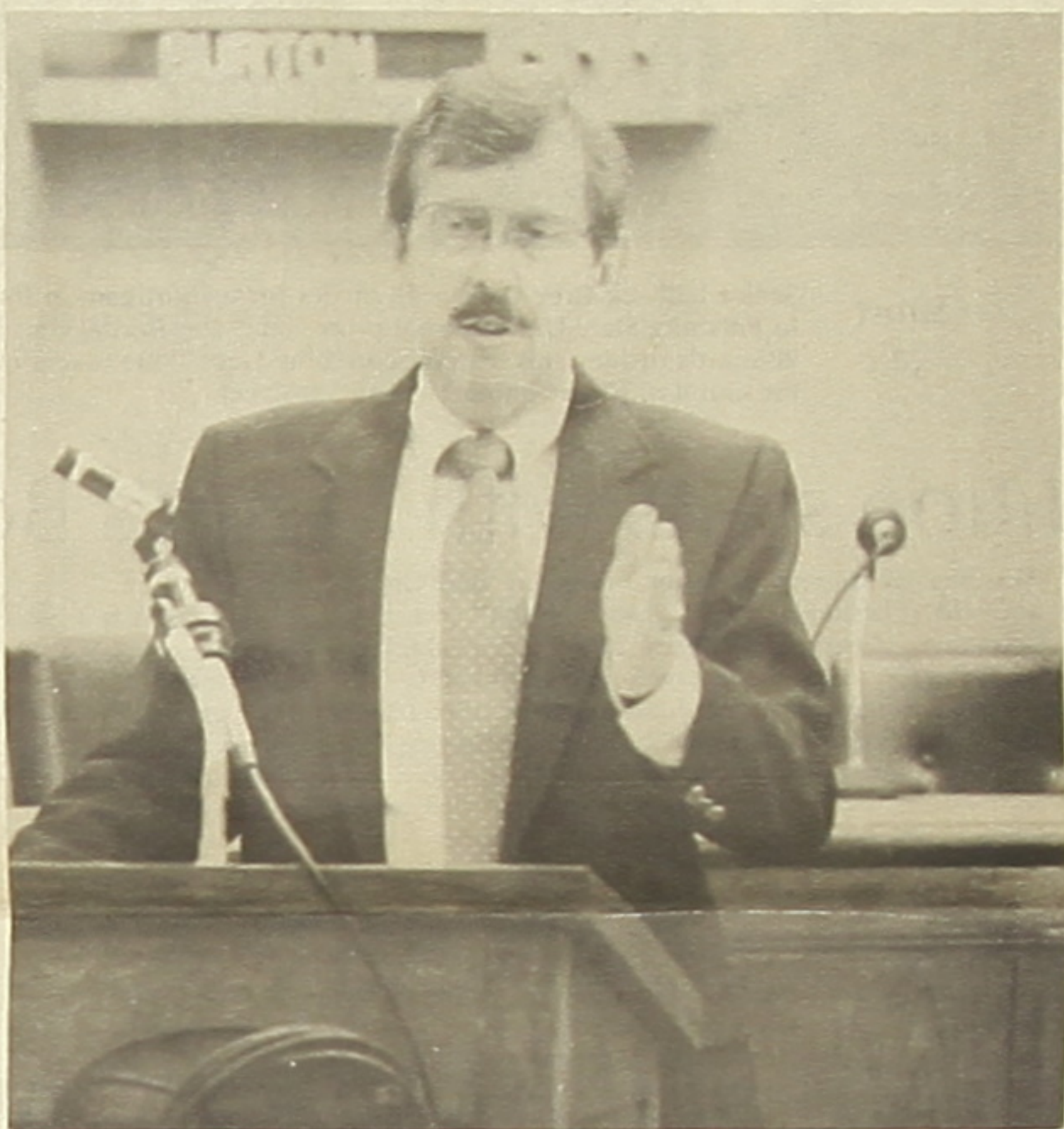
"It's still their decision," Belden said. "What we are doing is giving them background information."

The subcommittees were made up at random except for the appointments of people who served on the 1977 charter review committee and attorneys.

Reviewing articles one through five will be Carl Blanchard, Jim Brown, Irv Donor, Miller Einsel, Maridan Kassab, Dan Scott, Vernon Sigars, Gil Stevens, and Jack Stults.

Articles six through 10 will be observed by Keith Adams, George Baldrige, Belden, Ed Bonnett, Richard Craig, William Henderson, Jan Tupper, Kathy Wilson, and John Windle.

The last five articles will be reviewed by Robert Cable, Jack Fleischaker, J.W. "Bill" Gardner, Tony Jacobs, Bob Moyer, Daisy Royal, Joe Tichota, Jim West, and Milton Wolf.



**Explains** Former Joplin mayor Jack Belden explains the job of the charter subcommittees. (Chart photo by JoAnn Hollis)

## Citizen expresses concern for safety of school children

For the second time in a month, concern for the safety of elementary school children has been expressed at Joplin City Council meetings.

During Monday night's Council session, Jim West of Joplin addressed the Council about funding for a school-crossing guard at 23rd Street and Willard Avenue, near the Cecil Floyd Elementary School.

At the last regular meeting of the Council, inquiry was made into the possibility of a crossing guard at 26th Street and Pearl Ave, near Irving School because of traffic conditions in the area.

Expenses for school crossing guards are shared by the Joplin R-8 School District and the city. Council members were asked to consider placing a guard at the intersection before final approval of the budget.

West, a member of the Joplin traffic control committee, said the need for a guard was to be reviewed at a meeting of the committee on Tuesday. He expressed concern for approximately 28 children who cross the intersection on a daily basis. There is no traffic control at the intersection.

Although the Council was not oppos-

ed to the suggestion for a guard at the crossing, it decided to wait for a recommendation of the traffic panel before taking action. The Council also requested copies of a study of school-crossing sites made last year.

Other business conducted at Monday's meeting included approval of contracts for construction and paving in the city.

Contracts were approved with Beachner Construction Company, Incorporated, for excavation and construction of base and for paving on 25th Street from Davis Boulevard west approximately 600 feet with asphaltic concrete. Cost of the

project is \$27,730.25. Another contract was approved with Beachner in the amount of \$71,988.81 for construction of curb and gutter and for paving on Northpark Lane from Third Street to Seventh Street.

A contract was approved with Snyder Construction Company in the amount of \$63,130.59 for excavation and construction of base on Northpark Lane from Third Street to Seventh Street.

Also approved was a contract with Tri-State Interior Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$8,091 for work at the Joplin city health department.

## City Council will use reserves to meet 1987 budget

By Pat Halverson  
Editor-in-chief

City spending will decrease over the next year with the newly approved budget for 1987, but operating reserves will be used to meet expenditures.

City Council members approved a \$16 million budget Monday night, which reflects a 5.9 per cent decrease in spending from last year's budget of \$17 million.

Expected revenues for the city are projected to be \$12,909,000, while expenditures of \$14,645,000 will be necessary for city operations. Operating reserves of more than \$1.7 million will be spent to make up the budget deficit.

Joplin's operating reserves are estimated at \$6.3 million to begin the fiscal year, but will drop to \$4.6 million by next Oct. 31. City manager Leonard Martin considers the new budget austere even though reserves will be spent to meet expenses.

"(Use of reserves) is not a real negative thing at this point," said Martin, "but we can't keep living on those reserves. The budget is 'business as usual' with no service expansions, and no major capital improvements."

Councilmen Clyde Morrison and Eric Carr were the only dissenters for the budget ordinance. Both were in favor of across-the-board spending cuts to balance the city's budget this year, rather than waiting until next year.

"I don't think the city should have a budget that spends more than it takes in,"



Mayor Donald Clark (right) points out a visual display to Leonard Martin, city manager

Garr said.

Councilman Don Goetz said all items in the budget were necessary for the future. He felt investments made will be worthwhile for the city.

Council members considered a 5 per cent spending cut, but reconsidered after Martin said he would provide a mid-year plan to cut expenditures to achieve spending cuts.

"I will be putting together a plan with strong recommendations for other revenue sources and a reduction in expenditures," Martin said. "Changes will be in the modification of services to reduce spend-

ding and attempts to find new revenue sources to bring in more money."

Morrison said he believed the City Council should take the responsibility for balancing the budget.

"I think we were all (Council members) pretty much in agreement that it was time to plan conservatively," Morrison said, "and that we should go ahead and balance the budget this year."

Reserves which have accumulated over the years have come from underestimating expected city revenues.

"In years past, even with high inflation, it has been the policy to understate

revenues and to be very conservative," Morrison said. "Now, with computerization (of the record-keeping system), revenue is projected on a five-year weighted average which is 95 per cent accurate."

Unless there is an upturn in the economy, under normal growth, Joplin will probably not have new revenue reserves. About \$1 million in federal revenue sharing will also be lost this year.

"We need to budget more closely than in years past," Morrison said. "Since the city's primary source of revenue is sales tax, we are more susceptible to changes in the economy. We have a good tax program, but we need to maintain reserves."

Wages of city workers will remain at their current rate for the coming fiscal year. The Council set wages for unclassified city personnel and city workers at Monday night's meeting, and a 5 per cent pay raise was approved for city prosecutor Daryl Edwards.

An ordinance was approved to transfer \$25,000 to a museum improvements account for the city's share of future improvements to the museum complex at Shifferdecker Park. The money was allocated for the project earlier this year.

Council members also approved an ordinance establishing an economic development reserve account for funds allocated for use in economic development projects.

## Local effort rescues plant

Missouri Steel Castings will remain open

By Pat Halverson  
Editor-in-chief

One of Joplin's older businesses will be saved from closing due to a joint effort of local citizens.

Missouri Steel Castings Co., which had its beginnings 84 years ago as Rogers Iron Works, will remain open since management, investors, and union members developed a plan which will allow them to finance operation of the plant.

C. Terry Brandt, president of Missouri Steel Castings, and 76 other local investors have negotiated a financial plan for \$4.3 million which includes \$3.6 million for purchase of the business from Fenix & Sisson Inc. of Tulsa.

At one time in the 1960's the plant employed more than 400 persons in the Joplin area. By 1982, employees numbered about 300, and approximately 200 in mid-1985. Over 100 persons are still employed at the plant, whose main products were steel castings which were used in the oil-drilling industry. Annual payroll for the company exceeds \$2.25 million. Corporate financial problems were cited as a cause of the planned liquidation.

Joplin's City Council endorsed efforts to keep the plant open Monday night when it gave preliminary approval to a loan of \$100,000 from community development funds to investors. The money will be repaid to the city over a period of 10 years at 5 per cent interest.

Community development funds come from the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, which has given preliminary approval for the transaction.

"The city has community development funds of \$100,000 in the current year's budget," said City Councilman Clyde Morrison. "The plan to keep the plant open would qualify as economic development. It is an investment in the future which may or may not work, but it is a joint effort of local people, the bank, the city and the state doing what they can to keep a local business open."

Investors in the purchase plan include 31 Missouri Steel Castings employees. Brandt, who is the largest shareholder in the new company, said neither he nor any of the other investors hold a majority of the stock.

The Missouri State Industrial Development Board has authorized \$2.85 million in state industrial revenue bonds as part of the plan to keep the plant open, and has approved a guarantee for a \$440,000 loan from the First National Mercantile Bank and Trust Company of Joplin.

Long-term financing and a labor agreement which would ensure stability were priorities to keep the plant open.

A new five-year contract was negotiated with production employees through company representatives and Local 204, International Molders and Allied Workers Union.

Brandt said the employees and the union have shown a lot of faith in the new venture, and have made sacrifices to give the plant a chance to work.

Foreign imports and a depressed petroleum industry contributed to the financial problems under Fenix and Sisson ownership. The new company will be working on research and development with the automotive industry to develop a new market.

More than 650 tons of steel castings can be produced at the 295,000-square foot plant which is located at 905 East 3rd Street in Joplin.



# The sports scene

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## Intramurals

### Fall Itinerary: Racquetball

Sign-up has started.  
Sign-up deadline is Oct. 22. Season begins Oct. 27. Season ends Dec. 5.

### Volleyball

Sign-up begins Monday. Sign-up deadline is Oct. 30. Rules meeting is Nov. 3. Season begins Nov. 4. Season ends Dec. 1.

### Tennis Results

John Day def. Dennis Mailes, 10-8. Brad Kleindl def. Rob Luther, 10-8. Rob Luther def. Bill Rogers, 10-2. Brad Kleindl def. Todd Harding, 10-3.

### Football Results

Busch Gang 67, Tarzanes 0. Crystal Dragons 7, All Stars 6. Busch Gang 32, Crystal Dragons 6. Busch Gang 19, Penetrators 13.

### Football Finals

3:30 p.m. next Thursday in Hughes Stadium: Busch Gang vs. Penetrators.

### Triathlon Results (500 m. swim, 7 mile bike ride, 3 mile run)

1. B.J. Jordan, 46:08
2. Wade Smith, 46:09
3. M. Rasmussen, 47:33
4. Nick Harvill, 50:32
5. Brian Nitz, 51:47
6. Kevin Ziegler, 53:45
7. Eric Browne, 54:39
8. Mitch Hillyer, 54:40
9. Jeff Turner, 77:05



## Volleyball

### Varsity Schedule

(Home games in all caps)

10/9	Rockhurst	6:00
10/9	Park College	7:00
10/10	Mo. West. Inv.	TBA
10/11	Mo. West. Inv.	TBA
10/14	AVILA	7:00
10/14	JOHN BROWN	8:00
10/18	HARRIS-STOWE	2:00
10/18	EVANGEL	3:00



## Football

### Varsity Schedule

(Home games in all caps)

10/11	Emporia St.	2:35
10/18	KEARNEY ST.	2:35
10/25	Mo. Western	1:30
11/1	Fort Hays St.	1:30
11/8	WAYNE STATE	1:30



## Soccer

### Varsity Schedule

(Home games in all caps)

10/11	TARKIO	1:30
10/14	JOHN BROWN	3:30
10/17	Mo. Valley	4:00
10/18	Lindenwood	1:30
10/21	WM. JEWELL	7:00
10/24	Mo.-Rolla	7:00
10/28	OTTAWA UNIV.	7:00
11/1	BENEDICTINE	1:30



### Short gain

Senior tailback Greg Dageforde carries for a short gain in the 48-7 loss to Pittsburg State University Saturday night. Dageforde, who has gained 286 yards rushing this season, scored the Lions' lone touchdown against the Corillas. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

## Tradition starts with Miner's Bowl

As the Missouri Southern Lions and the Pittsburg State University Gorillas battled it out on the field Saturday night, a new tradition was started. The tradition is not in the game, but in the name that goes with it. Saturday was the first annual Miner's Bowl game. It was decided by both of the school's student governments to give the annual game its own name in the hopes to raise community interest in the teams.

As for the game, Rod Giesselmann, head football coach at Southern, says, "I don't think the game was any different because there has always been an intense rivalry between Pittsburg and Southern. The Miner's Bowl was done more for the students and the communities than for the coaches and players."

The idea for the game seems to be a good one. Both Joplin and Pittsburg are giving favorable responses to the establishing of a

new tradition.

"I think it is a good idea," said Giesselmann. "As it gets older, the more intense the rivalry will be for the players and students, and more rivalry is good for college football."

"I think it is something we can look forward to each year," says Lori Mays, president of the PSU student senate. "It (winning the trophy) is something the fans from MSSC will be wanting next year, and Pittsburg fans will want to keep it."

## Lady Lions in thick of CSIC race

Southern suffers lapse in first weekend of conference action

Despite losing their last two matches of the weekend, the Missouri Southern Lady Lions volleyball team is entrenched in the thick of the Central States Intercollegiate Conference battle.

"We are in real good shape," said coach Pat Lipira. "The second half (of CSIC play) is going to be here. Washburn hosted the first half, and they went 6-1."

The Lady Ichabods' only loss, in fact, came at the hands of the Lady Lions. Lipira's squad blew by its first five opponents before seeing its 13-game winning streak snapped by Kearney State, 15-13, 7-15, 6-15. Lipira was not happy with the play of her team in that match.

"We gave Kearney the match," she said. "All of the sudden we started playing real inconsistently."

The Lady Lions' lapse continued into their match with Missouri Western. The Griffons clipped the Lions 17-15, 6-15, 12-15. Even though the team lost consecutive

games for the first time this year, Lipira is not pushing the panic button.

"It doesn't concern me a whole lot," she said. "If we can just minimize our mistakes, we will win. Instead of us capitalizing on mistakes, like we usually do, it was the other way around."

The Lady Lions reverted to their winning ways Tuesday night, downing School of the Ozarks 15-11, 14-16, 15-9, 15-7. Junior Shelly Hodges paced the team with 17 kills, seven blocks, and seven digs. Angie Murphy contributed to the cause with 20 successful serves in 21 attempts. Overall, however, their coach was not impressed with their performance.

"We were still showing signs of inconsistency," said Lipira. "The defense is all right, but now it's our offense that's inconsistent."

Inconsistent or not, the fourth ranked Lady Lions upped their record to 29-3, 12-2 against district opponents. They take that record to

Parkville, Mo., tonight against Rockhurst College and host Park College. Tomorrow the team breaks out the luggage, traveling to St. Joseph to compete in the 21-team Missouri Western State College Invitational Tournament.

"This tournament is one of the toughest tournaments you could ever go to," said Lipira. Among those participating will be the University of North Dakota, the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and the number one-ranked University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

"If you can win this tournament, you are a good team," she said.

The trip to St. Joseph will be the team's last road jaunt until post season competition begins. The Lady Lions play their first home game since September Tuesday night, hosting the team that ended their 15-game winning streak at the season's beginning, Avila College, at 7 p.m., and then squaring off against John Brown University at 8 p.m.

## Lions seek first win at Emporia State

By Lori Mitchell  
Staff Writer

According to head coach Rod Giesselmann, confidence will be the key to winning for the 0-4 football Lions.

"We know our responsibilities, and we know we can carry them out," said Giesselmann. "Our team just needs the confidence it takes to do so."

Missouri Southern will test its confidence this Saturday on a road trip to Welch Stadium in Emporia, Kan., where the Lions will meet the Hornets of Emporia State University.

The contest, beginning at 2:30 p.m., will be televised live in the Joplin area by KSNF.

Emporia, ranked 17th in last week's National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics football poll, defeated fourth-ranked Washburn University 22-16 Saturday.

"The winning of the game this weekend will depend on who is going to execute," Giesselmann said.

"Their (Emporia) offense and defense are both sound. They play very well from what I've seen. They may have a couple of concerns about their kicking game, but other than that, they are a sound ball team."

Last year's meeting between Southern and Emporia was an offensive battle that saw the Lions come out on top 34-26 during their Homecoming celebration. Southern has not lost to Emporia since dropping a 21-10 decision in 1979.

Injuries continue to plague Southern as quarterback Ray Hamilton is questionable due to a sore shoulder and an ankle injury that has bothered him for the last three games.

"Injuries are something that you have to deal with day to day. We don't know if he will play or not,"

said Giesselmann. "It is a maybe situation."

Hamilton's replacement, if one is needed, has not been named, but Scott Sanderson will be the probable starter. Senior wide receiver Wade Williams, who was a two-time all-conference quarterback for Mountain Grove (Mo.) High School, is also being considered.

"Wade Williams will be taking some snaps in practice this week," said Giesselmann.

Freshman quarterback John Rahe underwent knee surgery last week, and is not expected to play any this season.

In practice this week Giesselmann plans to emphasize different routines and individual fundamentals more than he has in the past.

"Last weekend people played hard, but not intelligently," he said. "Our attitude is good. We are searching and fighting and have one of two ways to go. We can head in the right direction or play goosey and timidly. We've got to perform."

The Pittsburg State Gorillas came to Southern and boosted their undefeated record to 4-0 last Saturday as the Lions fell to 0-4. The 48-7 PSU win put the Gorillas in a good position to repeat as Central States Intercollegiate Conference champions this season.

Possession time was a key factor in Saturday night's game as PSU controlled the ball for 38:27. The Gorillas finished with 423 net yards rushing and 154 passing. Southern was confined to just nine net yards rushing and 105 passing in its 21:33 possession of the ball.

Pittsburg State running back Monte Weathers had 114 net yards rushing on seven carries.

"Being a high ranked team," said Giesselmann, "they were a very able opponent. We played hard and got beat soundly."



### Triathlon

Kevin Ziegler participates in the swimming portion of the first annual Missouri Southern triathlon held Saturday. The nine entrants swam 500 meters, biked seven miles, and ran three miles. See other results under scoreboard. (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

## Park edges soccer Lions

The Missouri Southern soccer Lions seem to play best when the chips are down.

Though the Lions dropped yesterday's district match to Park College, 1-0, the game was closer than anyone, except Coach Hal Bodon and his team, expected it would be.

"I knew it would take a lot of heart to keep up with Park," said Bodon. "That's what we showed. I am proud of our effort."

Southern was without the services of several starters, including senior midfielder Mike Stiltner, who was injured in Saturday's game at the East Texas Shootout. Stiltner played in the final 10 minutes of the match, but was ineffective. Freshman forward Shawn Owens sat out the game because of a red card he received in last weekend's action.

"A healthy Stiltner and Owens would have pulled Park's defense apart a little," said Bodon.

Park entered yesterday's match

ranked 13th in the latest NAIA poll. The win upped their record to 8-1-0, while Southern dropped to 3-6-1.

Intensity was increased midway through the first half when Park coach Ben Popoola was ejected for repeatedly arguing with officials.

The Lions defense was busy all afternoon as the Park attack fired 28 shots at the Southern goal. Southern goalie Duane McCormick recorded 10 saves. The lone goal in the match came six minutes into the second half when Park forward Mohammed Al-Obaidan followed up on his previously rejected shot, bolting a kick into the Lions net from 15 yards.

The Lions finished second in last weekend's East Texas Shootout, defeating host LeTourneau College, 3-0, then losing to NCAA powerhouse, Centenary, by the same score.

Southern will battle Tarkio College in a 1:30 p.m. match Saturday at Hughes Stadium.

## ATTENTION

## Clubs & Organizations:

Group pictures will be taken between now and November 25th.

## Don't be left out!

Contact JoAnn Hollis at extension 228 for further information.